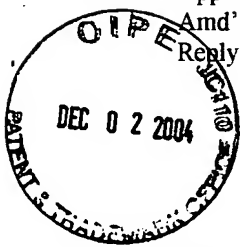


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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated July 27, 2004. Please amend the above-captioned patent application as set forth below.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 6 of this paper.

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